Chapter 13 Section 11.6

## PROGRAM FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (PFPWD): COST-SHARES AND DEDUCTIBLES

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## I. ISSUE

Application of deductible and cost-share amounts for Program for Persons with Disabilities (formerly known as Program for the Handicapped) benefits.

## II. POLICY

- A. No deductible amount applies. PFPWD allowable amounts are not subject to a deductible amount.
- B. Sponsor/beneficiary cost-share amount. The sponsor/beneficiary PFPWD benefit cost-share in a given month is according to the sponsor's pay grade as specified below regardless of the number of PFPWD approved dependents of that same sponsor:

SPONSOR PAY GRADE	Sponsor Cost-share Amount
E-1 through E-5	\$25
E-6	30
E-7 and O-1	35
E-8 and O-2	40
E-9, W-1, W-2, and O-3	45
W-3, W-4, and O-4	50
O-5	65
O-6	75
0-7	100
O-8	150
O-9	200
O-10	250

- C. Monthly cost-share amount for a sponsor with one PFPWD approved family member. The TRICARE share of the cost of any benefits provided to a single beneficiary who is the sponsor's only PFPWD approved family member may not exceed \$1,000 per month.
- D. Any amount in excess of the \$1,000 benefit cost-share limit, plus the appropriate amount shown in the table under paragraph II.B. are the responsibility of the sponsor/beneficiary.
- E. Monthly cost-share amount for a sponsor with two or more PFPWD approved family members.
- 1. The \$1,000 PFPWD benefit limit shall apply only to the PFPWD beneficiary incurring the least amount of allowable PFPWD expense in a given month.
- 2. All other PFPWD approved family members of the sponsor claiming PFPWD benefits in a given month are eligible to receive reimbursement in excess of \$1,000 in a given month for otherwise authorized PFPWD services or items received in that month.
- 3. When all PFPWD approved family members incur the exact same amount of allowable PFPWD expense in any given month, the \$1,000 PFPWD benefit limit shall apply to the oldest family member as determined in accordance with OPM Part Two, Chapter 12, Section II.A.7.

## III. EXCLUSION

Therapeutic absences from an inpatient facility are excluded.